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PART IV.

Official Papers.

READ :—

Letter No. 1113, dated 26th April 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, soliciting orders—

(1) whether the order regarding remission of a moiety of assessment on rice lands applies to Service and other Inam wet lands,

(2) whether lands under tanks classed as Bagayat but which are annually cultivated with rice crop and contain no cocoanut or supari trees are not to be treated like other rice lands,

and (3) whether lands which though not under any tank are nevertheless usually cultivated with paddy with the aid of the drainage and percolation water of adjoining high grounds, but which owing to the drought lay fallow, are not entitled to the concession.

No. D. 434, DATED BANGALORE, 8TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—With reference to the first question, the Government direct that in the case of Service Inam lands held by Totis, Talaris, and Nirgantis in the Bangalore, Kolar, Tumkur, Mysore and Chitaldroog Districts, one-half of the quit-rent, with proportionate local cess and irrigation cess, if any, be remitted. In the case of other Service Inams, the remission should be restricted to rice lands which may fulfill the conditions prescribed for remission of half the wet assessment in the case of Government rice lands. The amount of remission should be the excess, if any, of the quit-rent over and above one-half of the Survey valuation, so that the amount payable on such lands would be one-half of the Survey wet assessment as in the case of Government lands.

2. The second question referred to above has been already disposed of in Proceedings No. D. 428, dated the 7th instant.

3. The case of such special tracts as are referred to in the third question, if reported after careful inspection, will be favorably considered.

READ :—

Returns (of which an Abstract is given below) showing the progress of Village Relief works and Drinking Water wells in the Bangalore District for the fortnight ending 15th April 1892, received with docket No. F. D. 29, dated the 25th April 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore :—

ABSTRACT.

I. VILLAGE RELIEF WORKS.—The following table shows the number of works in progress during the fortnight, the number of coolies employed thereon and the amount spent :—

Taluk.	No. of Works.		No. of Coolies employed on the last day of the fortnight.				Total No. of Coolies employed in previous fortnight.	Amount spent.								
	In the fortnight under report.	In the previous fortnight.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.		In the fortnight under report.			In the previous fortnight.			Aggregate up to end of fortnight under report.		
Dodballapur	8	8	149	62	...	211	253	264	9	0	444	15	1	2,167	9	4
Devanhalli	5	4	22	19	1	42	26	152	12	0	82	4	0	728	8	0
Channapatna	1	1	11	12	9	32	54	22	10	8	74	10	4	165	9	0
Bangalore	8	8	55	23	...	78	78	75	12	8	261	1	6	1,053	7	4
Total.....	22	21	237	116	10	363	411	515	12	4	862	14	11	4,115	1	8

On two works, one (Hulikunte tank) in the Dodballapur Taluk and the other in the Devanhalli Taluk, no work was done during the fortnight under report; in the former case, owing to non-receipt of estimates from the Public Works Department, explanation was called for by the Deputy Commissioner in both cases.

On three of the works in the Bangalore Taluk, no work was done during the fortnight, because arrangements were being made in one case with the Railway authorities for a supply of a wagon-load of earth and in the other two cases for stone work.

One work in the Anekal Taluk was completed on the 6th March 1892.

In the Bangalore Taluk, the removal of silt from and deepening of the Lal-Bagh tank were completed on the 2nd April. On two of the works, no payments were made because the measurement of work done had not been taken.

The works were partly in the charge of Patels and partly under Shanbhogs. Some were given out on contract (mostly in the Dodballapur Taluk) and the others were carried on on the Amani system.

In the Dodballapur Taluk, the rates of wages (2 annas 6 pies per man and 1 anna 9 pies per woman) were complained of as being low and the coolies demanded payment on the work turned out. In the other Taluks the wages considered reasonable. The coolies in the Channapatna Sub-Taluk were paid according to the work turned out. In the Devanhalli Taluk, coolies did not come in large numbers.

The management and supervision were satisfactory.

II. DRINKING WATER WELLS.—The following statement shows the number of well s sanctioned, the number completed and that under construction :—

Taluk.	No. under construction at the end of previous fortnight.		Sanctioned during the fortnight under report.		Total.		Completed during the fortnight under report.		Under construction at the close of the fortnihgt.	
	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.
Dodballapur	2	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	4	...
Devanhalli	3	2	...		3	2	...	...	3	2
Bangalore	7	5	...	...	7	5	1	...	6	5
Anekal	12	4	...	...	12	4	5	...	7	4
Channapatna	...	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	5
Kankanhalli	13	4	...	...	13	4	...	...	13	4
Closepet	5	1	...	...	5	1	1	...	4	1
Nelamangala	3	1	2	1	5	2	...	...	5	2
[redacted]	3	5	...	2	3	7	...	2	3	5
[redacted]agadi	4	3	...	...	4	3	...	1	4	2
Total... ..	52	30	4	3	56	33	7	3	49	30

No. D. 436, DATED BANGALORE, 9TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ AGAIN :—

Letter No. 396—89, dated 24th April 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

No. D. 439, DATED BANGALORE, 9TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—As regards the recommendation for remission of house-tax, the Government are pleased to direct that the unrecovered portion of it due from Holeyars, Madigars and such poor landless classes in the affected tracts be remitted.

READ :—

The following report on the condition of the Chitaldroog District for the fortnight ending 30th April 1892, received with docket No. 80, dated 5th May 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldroog :—

[redacted]ring the fortnight under report, there was a good fall of rain in parts of all the Taluks of the District except Molakalmuru. All the Amildars except that of Molakalmuru report that most of the smaller tanks and a few of the bigger ones in their Taluks have received supplies of water varying from 15 days to two months. In parts of the Taluks of Chitaldroog, Hiriyur, Jagalur, and

Chellakere, Saguvali Kattes have received a fair supply of water. Everywhere the raiyats have commenced to plough their lands and are hopeful as to future prospects. The quantity of rain guaged at the several Taluk Head-quarters of the District during the fortnight under report was as follows :—

Taluk.	*Inches.*	*Cents.*
Chitaldroog	1	68
Davangere	1	15
Holalkere	1	10
Hiriyur	0	10
Chellakere	0	5
Molakalmuru	0	10
Jagalur	0	25
Hosdurga Sub-Taluk	1	40

2. Vaisakha paddy under tanks is in fair condition in all the Taluks of the District. In the Taluks of Chitaldroog, Chellakere, Hiriyur, Jagalur and Molakalmuru, the wet crops under Kapile wells and streams, which consist of paddy, watered cholam, navane, wheat and sajje are also in fair condition. Sugar-cane was harvested in the Taluks of Chitaldroog and Davangere and the out-turn is estimated at 4 annas in the rupee. In the Hosdurga Sub-Taluk, Vaisakha paddy below some of the tanks was harvested and the out-turn is estimated at from 6 to 8 annas in the rupee. In the Taluks of Hiriyur, Chellakere and Molakalmuru, watered cholam, navane, wheat and sajje were harvested, and the out-turn is estimated at from 4 to 6 annas in the rupee.

3. SUPPLY OF FOOD GRAINS.—The supply of food grains is sufficient in all the Taluks of the District. Ragi and cholam were exported during the fortnight to various places in British Territory from the Taluks of Holalkere, Davangere and Jagalur.

4. PRICES.—There has been no marked change in prices during the fortnight under report. The market prices of the different food grains at the Taluk Head-quarters of the District for the present and past fortnights are given below :—

Taluks.	Present fortnight. Seers per Rupee.			Past fortnight. Seers per Rupee.		
	Rice.	Ragi.	Cholam.	Rice.	Ragi.	Cholam.
Chitaldroog	8½	24	18	8	24	21
Chellakere	8½	22	21	8	22	22
Davangere	9	24	22	9	21	20
Holalkere	8	29	23	8	29	24
Hiriyur	8	16	15	7½	18	16
Jagalur	8	23	20	8	21	19
Molakalmuru	7½	17	15	7½	17	15
Hosdurga Sub-Taluk	9	24	22	9½	21	16

5. SUPPLY OF FODDER AND WATER.—In the Taluks of Chitaldroog and Holalkere, the supply of fodder and water is generally sufficient. In the Davangere Taluk, there is a moderate supply of fodder. The supply of water is generally sufficient. In the Jagalur Taluk, the supply of fodder is scanty in the Lokke Hobli and in parts of Kasaba and Bilchod Hoblis where cattle are fed on date and kamara leaves, but the supply of water is generally sufficient.

In the Taluks of Hiriyur, Chellakere and Molakalmuru, the supply of fodder is very scanty and cattle are fed on date and other leaves. The supply of water in the Taluks of Chellakere and Molakalmuru is generally sufficient, while in the Hiriyur Taluk it is scanty except in river-side villages and those where there are Kapile wells.

6. DEMAND FOR LABOR.—There has been no increase in the demand for labor during the fortnight under report. On the other hand, there has been a decrease in the number of coolies employed on Relief Works owing to recent fall of rain. There is sufficient employment for professional laborers on works connected with Irrigation wells and Saguvali Kattes. Details regarding the number of laborers employed on Relief Works during the fortnight under report are given in the fortnightly report prescribed by Government.

7. RELIEF TO WEAVERS.—During the fortnight under report, cloths to the value of Rs. 591—13—0 were purchased from the weavers at Molakalmuru.

8. GENERAL CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT.—The general condition of the people in the District continues to be good. Cholera still prevails in parts of Davangere, Chitaldroog and Jagalur Taluks.

The condition of cattle remain the same as before. A few more showers of rain will, it is hoped, produce a good supply of pasture and thereby cause an improvement in the condition of the cattle.

No. D. 442, DATED BANGALORE, 10TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ :—

The following report on the condition of the Hassan District for the fortnight ending 30th April 1892, received from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District :—

1. RAIN-FALL.—There was rain-fall on an average of 1 inch 54 cents in all the Taluks. The raiyats are engaged in ploughing operations. More rain is wanted and there are indications of more rain. The tanks in the Maidan Taluks of Arsikere and Channarayapatna have received a supply of water from 1 to 4 months respectively. Information of similar supply of water received from Holé-Narsipur and Arkalgud. Drinking water is easily obtainable.

2. CONDITION OF CROPS.—Kar-paddy and sugar-cane under large tanks are reported to be in pretty good condition in parts of Hassan, Manjarabad and Channarayapatna Taluks.

3. PRICES OF FOOD GRAINS.—Markets are well supplied. The price of food grains is stationary.

4. FODDER FOR CATTLE.—Generally available. Date leaves are still used as fodder in the Arsikere Taluk. This will shortly be discontinued as there has been rain-fall during the fortnight under report and green grass will come up hereafter.

5. PUBLIC HEALTH.—Generally good. Small-pox is still prevalent in some villages of the Belur Taluk. Deaths from cholera have been reported from the Taluks of Hassan, Channarayapatna and Grama. Every effort is being made to check the evil, and the Amildars have been enjoined to attend to village sanitation.

6. DEMAND FOR LABOR.—There is demand for labor both from private parties as well as in the Public Works Department. The number of men reported to have been employed on tank work alone (not on Relief Works) in the Channarayapatna Taluk is 1,114.

7. DISEASE AMONG CATTLE.—Murrain is reported in the Halèbid Hobli of the Belur Taluk.

No. D. 443, DATED BANGALORE, 10TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ :—

Diary (of which an Abstract is given below) of Mr. H. V. Nanjundaiya, Sub-Judge on Special duty in the Kolar District, for the fortnight ending 15th April 1892, received

with docket No. 392—85, dated the 24th April 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District:—

ABSTRACT.

Twenty-eight villages were inspected by the Special officer during the fortnight under report.

The following table shows the number and amount of loans granted by the several officers during the fortnight :—

Taluk.	Officer by whom Loan was granted.	No. of Loans granted for—				Total.	Amount of Loan sanctioned.			Amount paid on account of 1st instalment.			Perod allowed for repayment.	Remarks.
		Yatam.		Kapile.										
		New.	Old.	New.	Old.									
Kolar	Treasury Assistant Commissioner ...	16	5	...	1	22	4,250	0	0	2,305	0	0	5 to 20 years.	
Malur	General Assistant Commissioner	...	...	...	...	*17	2,510	0	0	1,255	0	0	10 to 30 ears.	
Mulbagal	Special officer ...	22	21	2	...	45	5,590	0	0	3,175	0	0	10 to 25 years.	
Chintamani... ...	Do ...	2	...	1	...	†3	1,050	0	0	440	0	0	15 to 20 years.	
Srinivaspur Sub-Taluk... ...	Do ...	6	2	1	...	9	1,800	0	0	985	0	0	10 to 20 years.	
Total.....		46	28	4	1	96	15,200	0	0	8,160	0	0	...	

The General Assistant Commissioner had, in addition to the advances shown in the above table, sanctioned loans to the extent of Rs. 1,730. But the details of these had not been received for inclusion in the return.

In one instance, a loan was refused on account of the well being in Service Inam land. The Deputy Commissioner observes that the orders of Government on the subject were duly communicated to the Special officer.

Six of the applicants in the Mulbagal Taluk, to whom loans had been sanctioned after investigation, declined at the last moment to receive them. They could well be spared.

In 2 cases of loans sanctioned in January and March last, the loans were, at the request of the applicants, cancelled, as they could not do the work within the time allowed or with the amount sanctioned. In 4 cases, the loans sanctioned were increased in amount on representations made by the applicants, and in one case the amount was reduced by Rs. 50, as the applicant had mentioned a No. (field) to which he had no right. (Particulars of these cases given).

The allotments at the disposal of the Special officer had been exhausted and he was doubtful whether the season had not too far advanced to apply for a fresh grant to meet the applications which remained for disposal.

*9 for new wells and 8 for old wells, but whether kapile or yatam not stated.

†One more loan amounting to Rs 200 was granted, but for what kind of well it is not stated. The amount of the loan and the amount paid out of it on account of 1st instalment have however been included in the table.

The need for drinking water wells at Bhairkur, Sigur, Hosahalli and Kondatimmanahalli were brought to notice. The Deputy Commissioner sanctioned one for Bhairkur, and awaited Amildar's reports in regard to others.

The prayer of the Holiyas of Avalkuppe for the cost of *vades* for their well has been recommended by the Special officer.

No. D. 444, DATED BANGALORE, 10TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

The alterations made in the loans already granted are noted.

READ :—

Statement (of which an Abstract is given below) received with letter No. 114, dated 3rd May 1892, from Mr. B. G. Krishnaiengar, Assistant Commissioner, on Special duty, showing the number and amount of loans sanctioned by him during the fortnight ending 30th April 1892 :—

ABSTRACT.

Name of District.	Taluks.	No. of loans sanctioned.	Amount sanctioned.	Amount advanced on account of 1st instalment.
Chitaldroog	1. Jagalur	2	200 0 0	150 0 0
	2. Challakere	17	3,920 0 0	2,147 8 0
		19	4,120 0 0	2,297 8 0
Tumkur	1. Tumkur	1	300 0 0	150 0 0
	2. Sira	1	250 0 0	125 0 0
	3. Koratagere	1	150 0 0	75 0 0
	4. Pavagada	1	200 0 0	0 0 0
		4	900 0 0	350 0 0
	Total for both the Districts.....	23	5,020 0 0	2,647 8 0

Besides the above, Rs. 337—8—0 were sanctioned on account of first instalment in two cases in which loans were sanctioned in the previous fortnight, and Rs. 1,725 on account of second instalment in 14 cases.

No. D. 445, DATED BANGALORE, 10TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ :—

The following report on the condition of the Bangalore District for the fortnight ending the 30th April 1892, received with Docket No. 35, dated 3rd May 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District: —

AGRICULTURE AND CROPS.—Ploughing has commenced throughout the District. Sugar-cane in parts of Bangalore, Nelamangala, Devanhalli and Anekal is being planted. The harvest is poor owing to failure of water. Wet crops in Devanhalli stated to be withering. Kar-ragi, jola and gingelly are reported to be sown in parts of Closepet and Kankanhalli. Also vegetables, wherever water is procurable.

FODDER AND CATTLE.—Fodder still scarce; being imported from Sringapatam in parts of Channapatna. Cattle are being fed on leaves and are in very poor condition. Dod-roga prevails in parts of Nelamangala, Bangalore and Kankanhalli.

WATER-SUPPLY.—Several tanks in the District have received a supply of water ranging from 5 days to 5 months' supply.

RAIN-FALL DURING THE FORTNIGHT :—

	Inches.	*Cents.*
Bangalore	0	60
Hoskote	0	43
Devanhalli	0	80
Dodballapur	0	75
Nelamangala	0	46
Kankanhalli	1	35
Magadi	0	44
Closepet	1	61
Channapatna Sub-Taluk ...	2	55
Anekal	1	21

Scarcity of water is generally not much felt, except in Bangalore City.

PUBLIC HEALTH,—Generally good. Fever and small-pox reported in parts of Devanhalli, Hoskote and Bangalore. Fever in Nelamangala and Channapatna. Three cases of cholera in Channapatna, four in Closepet and one in Kankanhalli, mostly cases of persons returning from the Jatra at Melkote.

FOOD GRAINS.—Markets well supplied. Prices tend to fall slightly owing to improved outlook.

Taluks.	Fortnight ending 31st March 1892.		Fortnight ending 30th April 1892.	
	Rice.	Ragi.	Rice.	Ragi.
Bangalore	7¼	15½	7 to 8½	15 to 19
Hoskote	7½	16	8	18
Devanhalli	7½	15	7½	16 to 17½
Nelamangala	7½	18	7½	22
Kankanhalli...	7	16	7½ to 8¼	17 to 20
Magadi	7	16	7 to 7½	21
Closepet	7	20	8	20
Anekal	8	16	8	19 to 20

READ ALSO :—

The following report by the Closepet Sub-Division officer on the condition of the Sub-Division for the same period :—

CROPS.—Sugar-cane is being sown in parts of the Sub-Division.

PRICES.—FOOD GRAINS.—The price of rice has fallen a little, 8 seers being sold for a rupee against 7½ seers in the previous fortnight.

FODDER.—Scarce.

WATER-SUPPLY.—The recent fall of rain has done much good towards the supply of water. Konnur Katté of Channapatna has received supply for 4 months along with other tanks. The Amildar of Kankanhalli reports the flow of 2 feet of water in the Arkavati River.

LABOR.—Silt removing from Tavarikatte reservoir at Malur continues. 100 coolies are employed.

PUBLIC HEALTH.—Two cases of cholera are reported in the Channapatna Range and two in the Closepet Taluk.

No. D. 446, DATED BANGALORE, 10TH MAY 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

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Under-Secretary.